N-FOCUS *Interim Release* Notes
January & February, 2007

A Batch Release of the N-FOCUS system was implemented on January 18, 2007 and an Interim Release is scheduled for February 23rd. Interim and Batch Releases are scheduled every month on the third Wednesday. The last N-FOCUS Major Release was November 13, 2006 and the next one is scheduled for March 12, 2007. This document helps explain new functionality, enhancements and problem resolutions effective with this *interim* release. This document is divided into five main parts:

- ♦ **General Interest and Mainframe Topics:** All N-FOCUS users should read this section;

- ♦ **Protection and Safety Programs:** N-FOCUS users with specific responsibility for Child Protective and/or Adult Protective Services should read this section;

- ♦ **Expert System:** All N-FOCUS users with responsibility for case entry for AABD/MED, ADC/MED, Employment First, FSP, FW, IL, MED, and Retro MED should read this section;

Note: This following sections will display only when there are tips, enhancements or fixes specific to Development Disabilities Programs and/or to Foster Care Review Board functions.

- ♦ **Developmental Disabilities Programs:** N-FOCUS users who work directly with DD programs and those who work with the related Medicaid cases should read this section;

- ♦ **Foster Care Review Board:** N-FOCUS users with responsibility for Foster Care Review Board functions should read this section.
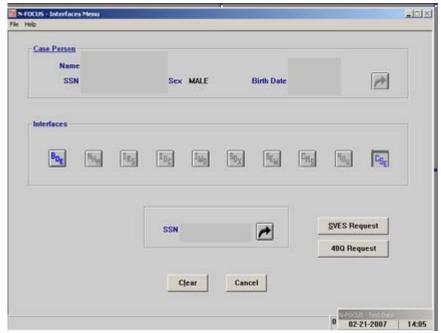
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MAINFRAME AND GENERAL INTEREST

INTERFACES

BDE & SDX INTERFACE (NEW)

BDE and SDX Interface data is now a Web based interface. It continues to be accessed from the Interfaces Menu by selecting the icon for the type of data you want to view.
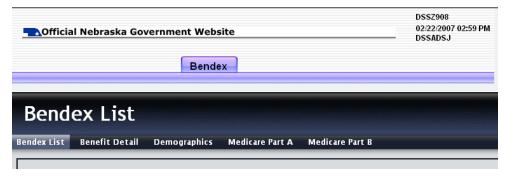

Result: The BDE or SDX data is displayed in a tab/folder format on the Official Nebraska Government Website. Open each set of data by selecting the tab for the folder.

BENDEX (BDE) REDESIGN

Bendex has been redesigned by SSA. During the down time imposed by SSA, files were not submitted. These will be submitted when the cycle begins again on February 26th. The only data that will be displayed is the new file information. All of the old files are archived. You will only see data from February 26th data matches.

There are several additions and changes in the BDE data or formatting. The information is organized when you select one of the five tabs.

Bendex List

The Bendex List information is displayed when you first enter the Interface and includes the claimant's SSN, Birth Date, Name and Gender.
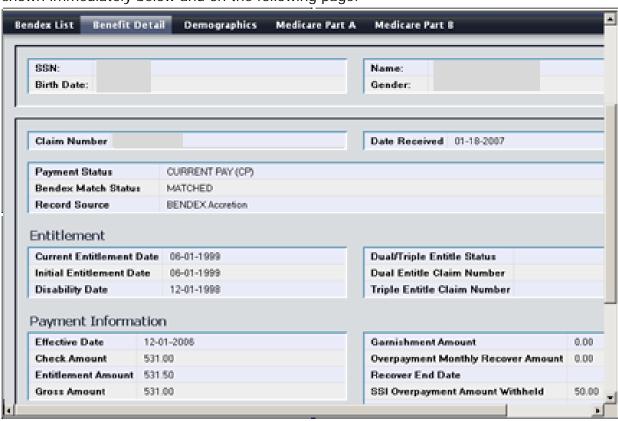
Select the radio button which precedes the instance you want to learn more about.
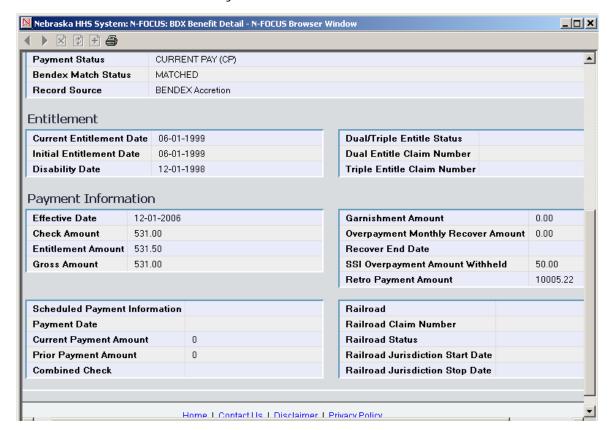
Benefit Detail

Under the Benefit Detail tab, notice the Garnishment and Railroad information is new, as shown immediately below and on the following page.
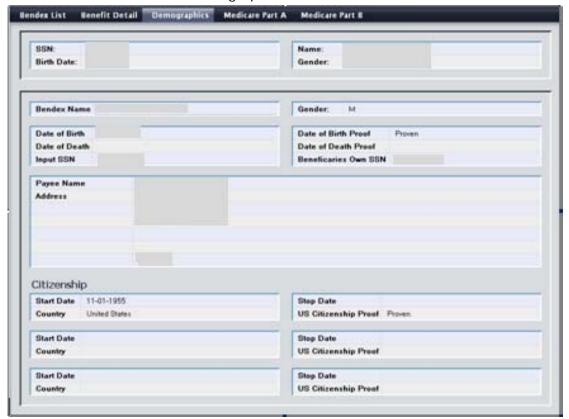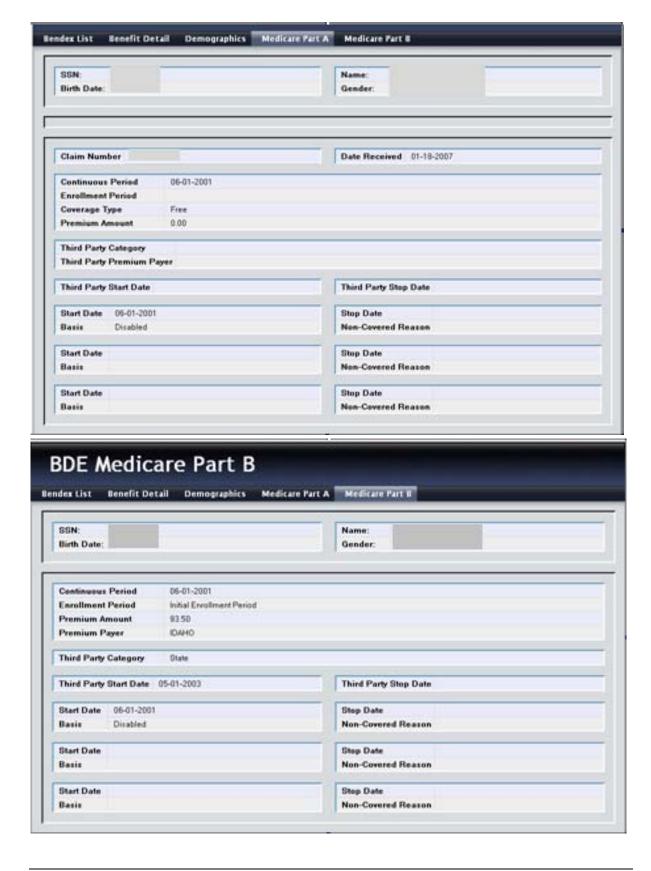
Demographics

The information under the Demographics tab is new.

Medicare Part A now Separate from Part B

This is the only change in the Medicare Inforamtion.

40 QUARTERS (NEW)

Requests for 40 Quarters data can now be made by clicking on the 40 Quarters button on the Interfaces Menu.

CSE INTERFACE (NEW)

The CSE Interface icon will allow you to access the log on for iCharts.

MEDICAID

CUT-OFF SCHEDULE CHANGED(TIP)

The Medicaid cut-off dates have been adjusted for 2007 from the 3rd working day from the end of the month to the 4th working day. This change has been made in an effort to provide more time for clients to receive Medicaid cards, Spenddown forms, and Premium Due notices.

NARRATIVE

NEXT AND PREVIOUS BUTTONS (FIX)

The Next and Previous buttons on the Detail Narrative windows are now working correctly.

REPORTS

CASE REVIEW ACTIVITY REPORT (NEW)

This is a new report by worker that shows how many reviews were completed by program, how many are still due and/or are overdue for the previous month. There is also a Grand Total by worker. The report is sorted by Supervisor.

REPORTS MOVED FROM N-FOCUS TO INFOVIEW WEBSITE (CHANGE)

- Case Activity Office Summary
- Case Activity Area Summary
- Case Activity State Summary
- Case Activity Supervisor Detail
- Case Activity Unit Summary
- TMA MED Cases Report

PROTECTION AND SAFETY

INTAKE

INTAKE SEARCH IMPROVED (TIP)

Changes were made to the Intake Search Function to require Begin and End Dates on the search. This will significantly improve response time.

INTAKE WORKSHEET/LE NOTICE NARRATIVE ORDER (CHANGE)

Referral Information Narratives print on the Law Enforcement Notice and Intake Worksheet in the order that the Narrative Subjects were entered. Effective with the January Interim Release, the narratives print in the following order no matter what order they were entered:
- Maltreatment/Safety/Risk/Situation Information
- Child Characteristics/Vulnerability
- Adult Characteristics/Capacities/Strengths